

Friday, October 31, 2014

Resident Interrupts 2 Burglars on W. Irving Street

Power Tools Stolen; No Injuries, No Property Damage

At about 11:15 a.m. on Wednesday, October 29, the resident of a home on W. Irving Street between Connecticut Avenue and Magnolia Parkway was working in his detached garage behind the house. Coincidentally, the resident was expecting a contractor to arrive to do some scheduled work.

The resident returned to the house for a few minutes leaving the overhead door of the 2-car garage open; the garage is fully visible from the street. From inside the house, the resident watched as a silver Dodge Durango SUV with Maryland tags backed into the driveway, then backed completely inside the open garage. Two black males in their 30s wearing dark clothing got out of the SUV.

Thinking that the men were sent by the contractor, the resident walked back to the garage to speak with them. It soon became clear that the men were not sent by the contractor and that something was very wrong. The suspects quickly got back into the silver SUV and drove off in the direction of Connecticut Avenue. A quick inventory revealed that the men had stolen two power saws that were hanging on the garage wall.

The resident called the police and Village officers responded right away. Village police notified the Metropolitan Police (DC) and the Montgomery County Police. A search for the suspects and their car was unsuccessful.

The case is being followed up by detectives from the County Police.

Residents are urged to keep their homes locked, to activate their alarm systems, and to contact the police immediately if they see or hear anything that makes them suspicious.